

Sofya

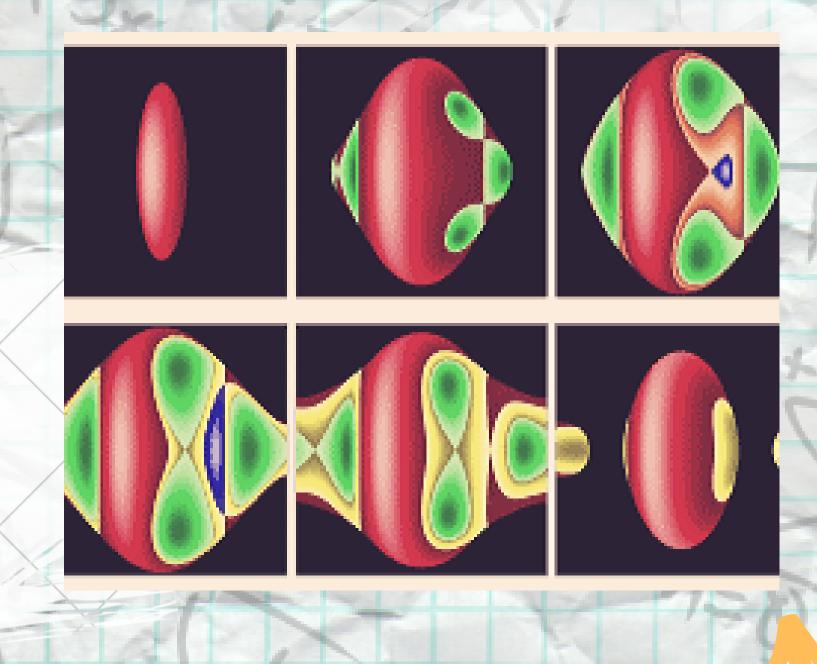
Kovalevskava

- born in Moscow, Russia to minor nobility
- Taught herself trigonometry

The First Woman:

to hold a PhD in the modern sense of the word

to be appointed to a professorship in Northern Europe



Discovered the Kovalevskaya top, one of the three solutions for a rigid body motion about a fixed point that was completely integrable